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: CERAMIC DISK OF A DISK-BRAKE DISK

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Sir:

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Attorney Docket No. 82062-0183 Information Disclosure Statement



Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached PTO-1449. The references contained in this Information Disclosure Statement were first cited in the attached Search Report dated December 13, 2004, in counterpart International Application No. PCT/IT2003/000290.

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Respectfully submitted,

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